

**Panel on Environmental Affairs**

**List of follow-up actions**

(position as at 19 January 2011)

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Date of meeting</b>	<b>Follow-up action required</b>	<b>Administration's response</b>
1. <u>Green measures in the Government</u>	20.12.2006	<p>The Administration to provide -</p> <p>(a) an updated information paper to respond to members' concerns on targets of green measures in the Government; and</p> <p>(b) a written response to the submission from the Green Council on the green measures in the Government which was tabled at the meeting.</p>	<p>The Administration has advised that a consultancy study was commissioned by the Environmental Protection Department to update the existing "green" specifications and develop "green specifications" for more items commonly used by the Government. The study was extended in mid-2009 to cover more products, in order to promote the green procurement policy. The whole study is expected to be completed in the latter half of 2010. The Panel will be informed of the latest progress after completion of the study.</p>

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2. <u>A new producer responsibility scheme for waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE)</u>	29.3.2010	The Administration to -  (a) address the trade's concerns about the WEEE Scheme;  (b) explain the Government's role in the Scheme,  (c) provide an estimate on the distribution of and treatment cost incurred (using detoxification, dismantling, shredding and sorting of recyclable materials) for small and large WEEE and the respective levy to be collected; and  (d) advise whether consideration would be given to refund the levy to consumers who purchased electric and electronic equipment in Hong Kong for use overseas.	The public consultation on the WEEE Scheme was completed on 30 April 2010. The Administration is in the process of examining more than 2 700 submissions collected from the public consultation for developing the details of the WEEE Scheme. The Administration would continue to properly engage the stakeholders concerned in mapping out the way forward.

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3. <u>Policy initiatives of the Environment Bureau in the Chief Executive's 2010-2011 Policy Address</u>	25.10.10	The Administration to -  (a) provide a comparison between waste-to-energy and nuclear energy in terms of cost and electricity tariff;  (b) advise the circumstances under which franchised bus companies would be required to use hybrid buses;  (c) provide the replacement programme for refuse collection vehicles; and  (d) provide the village sewerage projects which had been completed in the last three years.	Response awaited.  Administration's response was included in LC Paper No. CB(1) 1098/10-11(04) issued for the meeting on 24 January 2011.  Administration's response was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(1) 959/10-11 on 3 January 2011.  Administration's response was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(1) 913/10-11 on 24 December 2010.

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4.1 <u>Development of EcoPark</u>	22.11.10	<p>The Administration to provide -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) information on short-term tenancies being leased to the recycling industry;</li> <li>(b) information on the setting of rents for lots in EcoPark, with particular reference to the savings in the cost of treatment and disposal of waste; and</li> <li>(c) record of unused recyclable materials by EcoPark which had to be disposed of at landfills.</li> </ul>	Administration's response was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(1) 1061/10-11 on 13 January 2011.
4.2 <u>5172DR – Development of Organic Waste Treatment Facilities – Phase I in Siu Ho Wan, North Lantau</u>		<p>The Administration to provide -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) a clearer copy of the plan showing the location of the Organic Waste Treatment Facilities; and</li> <li>(b) information on the experience of the management of Park Island in the treatment of food waste.</li> </ul>	Administration's response was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(1) 1049/10-11 on 12 January 2011.

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5. <u>District Cooling System (DCS) at the Kai Tak Development (KTD)</u>	20.12.10	The Administration to incorporate the following information in the submission to the Public Works Subcommittee -  (a) more detailed breakdown on the costs and benefits of DCS;  (b) overseas experience in the implementation of DCS;  (c) capital and recurrent operating cost of DCS; and  (d) legal advice from the Department of Justice confirming the legality of imposing a requirement for all private non-domestic projects in KTD to connect to DCS under the land lease conditions.	Administration's response was included in PWSC(2010-11)31 issued for the Public Works Subcommittee meeting on 19 January 2011.